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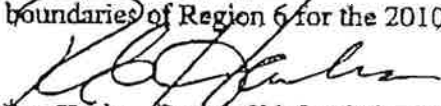
Subject: National Rappel Quality Assurance Team Recommendation for the Region 6
Rappel Program


To: Tom Harbour

The National Rappel Quality Assurance Team has completed the review of the Region 6 Rappel program as outlined in the June 28, 2010 letter, 2010 Helicopter Rappel Program signed by Deputy Chief's Jim Hubbard and Chuck Meyer.

The Quality Assurance Team conducted a review of the Region 6 Rappel Academy. The team reviewed the Region 6 Rappel Action Plan and the National Rappel Action Plan and has concurred with the recommendations in both plans. The Quality Assurance Team also concurs on the rappel re-activation checklist.


The National Rappel Quality Assurance Team recommends that the Region 6 portion of the National Helicopter Rappel Program be re-activated with your concurrence on this letter. The Quality Assurance Team also recommends that rappelling be limited to the administrative boundaries of Region 6 for the 2010 fire season.


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☒ Concur

☐ Do Not Concur


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